Reviewer's report

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Reviewer: Heikki Olavi Hurri

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General
I think the authors have made a careful revision, and improved remarkably the manuscript. They also have reported honestly the deficiencies of the manuscript in the discussion section. I have no further requests.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept without revision

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

"Do you hold or are you currently applying for any patents relating to the content of the manuscript". This is a conflicting question. Many rehabilitation clinics are applying some educational programs for back pain patients, and so is ours. However, I wouldn’t say that there are true competing interests. However, if you disagree, then you better abolish my evaluations, and ask someone else to review."